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## Taiwan

### US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens reconsider travel to Taiwan due to COVID-19 related travel restrictions. Consult its website via the link below for updates to travel advisories and statements on safety, security, local laws and special circumstances in Taiwan.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html>

### Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport is valid at the date of their entering the country and during the length of their entire visit. They should also make sure they have at least 1 blank page in their passport for any entry stamp that will be required. A visa is not required for stays under than 90 days.

### US Embassy/ Consulate

chief of mission: the US does not have an embassy in Taiwan; commercial and cultural relations with the people of Taiwan are maintained through an unofficial instrumentality, the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT), a private nonprofit corporation that performs citizen and consular services similar to those at diplomatic posts; it is managed by Director William Brent CHRISTENSEN (since 11 August 2018); telephone [886] 7-335-5006; FAX [886] 7-338-0551; American Institute in Taiwan, Tel: (+886) (02) 2162-2000; No. 100, Jinhu Road, Neihs District 11461, Taipei City, Taiwan

### Telephone Code

886

### Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 119; Fire: 119; Police: 110

### Vaccinations

Taiwan's Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends travelers to Taiwan be vaccinated against Hepatitis A. See WHO recommendations.

<http://www.who.int>

### Climate

Tropical; marine; rainy season during southwest monsoon (June to August); persistent and extensive cloudiness all year

### Currency (Code)

New Taiwan dollars (TWD)

### Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

110 V / 60 Hz / plug type(s): A, B



### Major Languages

Mandarin Chinese, Taiwanese (Min Nan), Hakka dialects, approximately 16 indigenous languages

### Religions

Buddhist 35.3%, Taoist 33.2%, Christian 3.9%, folk (includes Confucian)

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|                                     | approximately 10%, none or unspecified 18.2%%   |
| <b>Time Difference</b>              | UTC+8 (13 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)  |
| <b>Potable Water</b>                | Opt for bottled water.  |
| <b>International Driving Permit</b> | Suggested   |
| <b>Road Driving Side</b>            | Right   |
| <b>Tourist destinations</b>         | Taipei (includes Taipei 101, Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall, Longshan Temple, National Palace Museum, Shilin Night Market); Yangmingshan National Park; Chimei Museum; Kenting Street; Fo Guang Shan Buddha Museum |
| <b>Major sporting events</b>        | Baseball, soccer, basketball, golf, softball  |
| <b>Cultural Practices</b>           | Giving scissors, knives, or other cutting utensils as a gift traditionally indicates that you want to sever a relationship.   |
| <b>Tipping Guidelines</b>           | A service charge of 10-15% is typically added in restaurants. Taxis do not require a tip.   |

Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

[World Health Organization \(WHO\) - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. http://www.who.int](http://www.who.int)

[US State Dept Travel Information - Overall information about foreign travel for US citizens. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html)

[To obtain an international driving permit \(IDP\). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs: American Automobile Association \(AAA\) \(www.aaa.com\) and American Automobile Touring Alliance \(AATA\) \(www.aataidp.com\)](http://www.aaa.com)

US citizens may call the US Dept of State (+1-202-501-4444) for emergencies abroad.

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